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What's Happening in the City of Fairfax



BUSINESS CORNER

City Assists Businesses With Promotion Through Special Events, Ceremonies

Business owners can work with the City of Fairfax to recognize business milestones with special events or ceremonies.

Those celebrating a business anniversary or relocating a business into or within the city in the past six months may arrange for a ribbon-cutting, grand opening or anniversary ceremony.

City of Fairfax Economic Development Office Ombudsman Nicole Hange will coordinate the attendance of local officials, provide ribbon and ceremonial scissors, and take photos for the business' marketing use.

Look for the *Special Events Guidelines for Businesses* fact-sheet in the Economic Development Office section of the city website for guidance and suggestions. Information: 703-385-7851, Nicole.Hange@fairfaxva.gov.

If you're new to the city, welcome!

Call 703-385-7800

for new resident information.



Restoration Stems Erosion Along Daniels Run Stream

The city is working to stem the erosion of Daniels Run stream banks by removing invasive vegetation and damaged trees along a 750-foot stretch of the stream behind Daniels Run Elementary School (pictured, right).

The goal is to restore the stream by re-establishing a stable, natural system using a natural channel design. This stage of the project should be completed before school begins in the fall.

The next stage will be conducted in the autumn with the help of Daniels Run Elementary School students and teachers who, with the Public Works Department, will help plant native vegetation on the restored stream banks.

The project, estimated to cost \$570,000, is funded in part with a \$285,000 grant from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Restoration.

Information: 703-273-3067.



City Inaugurates New Voting Machine in November Election

City voters will use new voting equipment when they visit the polls November 3: the newest technology in paper-based voting (pictured, below). Former Registrar Kevin Linehan, along with the city Electoral Board, met with the various certified equipment vendors and ultimately chose the Unisyn Open Elect System.

Voters will be issued paper ballots at the polls and will mark their selections by filling in the boxes next to the candidates of their choice.

Voters then will insert their completed paper ballot in the voting machine scanner, which deposits the ballot in the ballot box.

Because the number of voters actively voting is not limited by the number of voting machines, the City of Fairfax director of elections expects the voting process to go much quicker, especially in high turn-out elections and elections with complex ballots. Discover more about the new voting



equipment on the city website.

Information: 703-385-7890.

City AND Notes

Welcome, College Students!



The City of Fairfax welcomes new and returning students to Northern Virginia Community College, where fall semester classes begin August 24, and

George Mason University, where the fall semester begins August 31. At Mason, early move-in for students begins August 23.

Stay abreast of campus activities via the Web for Mason (*today.gmu.edu*) and NVCC (*www.nvcc.edu*).



Boards and Commissions on Hiatus in August

Most city boards and commission, including the School Board and City Council, are not scheduled to meet in August. Meetings resume in September.

Most City Council, School Board and Planning Commission meetings are televised on Cityscreen-12. Televised meetings and agendas may be viewed on the city's website: click on "City Meetings" on the home page.

National Night Out to be Held August 4

Learn about crime and drug prevention on National Night Out August 4, when public safety providers visit participating neighborhoods with fire trucks, police motorcycles and more. Community leaders may include their neighborhoods by calling 703-273-2889.

Tax Holiday Set for August 7-9

The Commonwealth of Virginia has established a tax holiday August 7-9 for school supplies and clothing; Energy Star and WaterSense qualified products; and hurricane and emergency preparedness equipment. Information: *www.tax.virginia.gov*, (804) 367-8031.

Companion Animals Available for Adoption

Looking for a furry or feathered friend? Turn to the city's *Animal Control Office*, which has a number of animals available for adoption. Hamsters, birds, dogs, cats, bunnies and more — all ages, all breeds, all available.

Find information on the city website (under "How Do I..."/ "Adopt... a Pet") and the city mobile app ("Animal Adoption" button).

The city holds regular open house adoption events — or visit Town and Country Animal Hospital during business hours to see who's looking for their forever home. Information: 703-385-7919.



Consultative Appointments Available in City Schools

Parents and guardians of students attending public school in the city may schedule a 45-minute consultative appointment in August with a school psychologist or school social worker through Fairfax County Public Schools Office of Intervention and Prevention Services.

FCPS offers supportive consultation for parents whose children are experiencing social-emotional, behavioral or academic challenges.

Parents/guardians receive community resources, guidance on how to manage challenging behaviors and how to work collaboratively with school teams around issues of academic or behavioral concern. Information: *www.fcps.edu/dss/parentclinic*, 571-423-4020.

Farmers Markets Continue



Farmers markets are held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays through October at the corner of West and Main streets. Markets are sponsored by the Downtown Fairfax Coalition. Information: 703-642-0128, *www.fairfaxsaturndaymarket.com*.

City Offices Close September 7 for Labor Day

City government offices will close September 7 for Labor Day. General District Court also will be closed (703-385-7866).

The CUE Bus will run on a Saturday schedule (703-385-7859).

Trash and recyclables will not be collected September 7. Monday and Tuesday regular collection will be provided on Tuesday, September 8 (703-385-7837). Yard waste on regular Monday and Tuesday routes will be collected on or soon after September 8.

Support Blenheim at Taste of the Vine September 25

Support Historic Blenheim and enjoy an evening of food and wine at Taste of the Vine, a fundraiser to be held from 6:30-9:30 p.m. September 25 in the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway.

Tickets cost \$55 per person and include hors d'oeuvres, wine, music, silent auction and more. The event is sponsored by Historic Fairfax City, Inc. Information: 703-591-5305.

Fall for the Book Scheduled for September 27 Through October 3

Meet world-renown, prize-winning authors, attend readings and book discussions and celebrate the reading and writing of fiction, non-fiction, poetry and more at Fall for the Book September 27 through October 3. The annual festival is held in and around the city, George Mason University and the metropolitan DC area. Look for the complete schedule at *www.fallforthebook.org*. Information: 703-993-3986.



What's happening in the City of Fairfax? Find out with the free city app! *www.fairfaxva.gov/mobileapp*

Red Light Camera Enforcement Has Begun at Fourth Intersection

Drivers on eastbound Fairfax Boulevard (Route 29/50) at Plantation Parkway have seen the signs: a photo red light enforcement camera is monitoring traffic. Enforcement began July 27, after a 30-day warning period.

This is the city's fourth intersection to receive photo red light cameras since 2011. Other city intersections include:

- Route 236/Main Street at Pickett Road
- Fairfax Boulevard at Fairfax Circle
- North Street at University Drive.

Multiple cameras monitor traffic at these intersections. Numerous people, including

city police officers, review evidence before citations are issued.

When a citation is issued, the vehicle's registered owner is mailed a notice of violation and a secure PIN number to access the citation online. The fine associated with the citation may be pre-paid on the website — or the citation may be challenged in city traffic court. Registered owners who are not driving the vehicle when the citation is recorded may sign a sworn affidavit to nullify the citation. Please drive carefully.

Information: 703-293-7102.

Drainage Improvements on University Drive Begin in August; North Street Parking Lot in Use

Beginning in early August, the city will repair the drainage system causing sinkholes on University Drive in Old Town Fairfax. *Information:* 703-246-6330.

The city will replace the pipe along the right southbound lane of University Drive between North Street and Route 236/Main Street. Traffic lanes on southbound University Drive will close as needed from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. weekday evening (and weekends, if required). The work is expected to be com-

pleted in the first week in September.

During construction, equipment and material storage will occupy a portion of the public parking lot adjacent to Truro Anglican Church, 10520 Main Street, which is accessible from North Street.

Sign up for Fairfax City Alert on the city website for news and updates regarding this (and other) city road construction projects, as well as other topics of interest: www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert.

Free WiFi Now Available in Old Town Square

Guests in Old Town Square now may enjoy free WiFi during their visit. To sign in, users choose the *_OldTownSquare* network and accept the usage agreement.

Old Town Square offers a secured connection using a Firewall and content filter; however, users should ensure their devices

have sufficient protection.

Old Town Square is the first city park to offer WiFi. Free WiFi is available in all city government buildings, including City Hall, Green Acres Center and Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center.

Information: 703-385-7858.



Prune Trees, Bushes from Sidewalks, Roads

Property owners with trees and shrubs are asked to prune vegetation away from sidewalks and streets.

Plants should not block sidewalks nor obstruct the view of traffic or signs for drivers and pedestrians from walkways or roads.

The city also encourages residents to mow and trim the "tree strips" found in front of most houses.

Those with curbside collection may place yard waste at the curb on their designated collection day. Contractors must dispose of yard debris created by their services.

Shredding Events Scheduled

City residents may participate in Fairfax County's free document shredding events. Residents may bring up to five medium-sized boxes for shredding from 8 a.m. to noon at the following events:

- August 15: Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Mount Vernon Road, Alexandria;
- September 19: Springfield Governmental Center, 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield;
- October 17: Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly;
- October 24: Braddock District Governmental Center, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke.

Information: 703-324-5230.

Recycling, Disposal Information Available

The city has two flyers available: *How to Dispose of Items in the City*, and *Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever*.

Information: 703-293-7141.

INFORMATION: 703-385-7837

Salgado to Lead Parks and Recreation Department

The City of Fairfax has appointed Catherine Salgado as director of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Salgado has extensive experience in municipal parks and recreation service. She worked for 13 years as the Parks and Recreation Department director for the Town of Vienna, with services similar to those provided by the city, including a community center, arts center, historic sites and parks. Previously, she served as operations supervisor of the City of Falls Church and recreation supervisor for the City of Greenbelt, Md.

Salgado earned her bachelor's degree at Loyola University and her master's degree in recreation administration from the UMD-College Park. She also pursued studies in public administration at UMD-College Park.

Salgado replaces Michael McCarty, who left the city in April.

Share Your Talents: Volunteer for a Board, Commission

Consider contacting the City Clerk's Office to apply for city boards and commissions. Here are current vacancies:

- Board of Architectural Review (one vacancy for architectural historian)
- Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments (one vacancy)
- Board of Zoning Appeals (one vacancy)
- Community Appearance Committee (one vacancy)
- Environmental Sustainability Committee (two vacancies)

Board and commission meetings are public, unless otherwise noted. Residents are encouraged to attend, particularly if they seek appointment to that board.

With few exceptions, City Council interviews and appoints applicants.

Applicants must be registered voters. City residency may be required. Applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. *Information:* 703-385-7935.



City Updates Draper Drive Park

It's blue, it's green — it's the new, fully accessible playground equipment at Draper Drive Park, 9797 Beech Drive.

The 17.3-acre community park is first in the city with shade canopies on the playground equipment (pictured, above). The

structures offer separate play components for children age 2-12 and for age 5-12.

The park also offers two synthetic multi-purpose fields and is on the George Snyder Trail, which is under expansion. *Information:* 703-385-7858.

Zoning Rewrite Review Continues; Public Meeting Anticipated in October



The City of Fairfax anticipates holding another public meeting in October to receive input on the Zoning Rewrite, the city's project to develop clear and user-friendly ordinances consistent with present-day plans and policies.

The city hosted a community open house and presentation in May to receive input on draft zoning and subdivision ordinances, which are part of the comprehensive Zoning Rewrite.

Further modifications to ordinances are underway; the City Council, Planning Commission, and other city boards and commissions will review the drafts in the fall. Those drafts will be posted on the city website before the public meeting.

Look for meeting information on the city website, on Cityscreen-12 and in *The Cityscene*.

Information: 703-385-7930, www.zoningfairfax.com, Twitter: @ZoningFairfax.

Records, Immunization Needed for School Enrollment

In Virginia, children age 5 or older on or before September 30 may be enrolled in kindergarten for that school year. Parents who do not want their children to attend kindergarten must notify the school in writing. Children age 6 on or before September 30 must attend school. Information: 703-385-7911.

The city contracts with Fairfax County Public Schools for education services. To find out which school a child should attend: 571-423-2330, www.fcps.edu/boundary.

Qualifying parents may elect to provide

home instruction for their school-age children; 571-423-4460.

To enroll a new student, provide required documents, including the child's birth certificate, a certificate of physical examination, Social Security number, evidence of immunization and proof of residency. Transfer students also need school records or transcripts from their previous school; 571-423-4440.

Receive free immunization at the Joseph Willard Health Center, 3750 Old Lee Highway; 703-246-7100.

Concerts, Events Abound in Fairfax Through 2015

The city has special events, concerts and programs scheduled through the end of the year. **Information:** 703-385-7858.

Enjoy music in Fairfax this summer with *Summer Nights in the City* and *Rock the Block*. Concert-goers should bring their own seating. Concerts are cancelled in case of inclement weather. **Information:** 703-352-ARTS.

Summer Nights in the City: Old Town Plaza Series offers concerts at 7 p.m. on Fridays through September (except August 28) in Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road.

Rock the Block continues with *The Hackens Boys*, from 6-9 p.m. August 28 and *Almost Journey/2U Tribute Band* from 6-9 p.m. September 25



in Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive.

The Fall Festival will fill the streets of Old Town Fairfax with crafters, food, music, a beer garden, children's activity area and more from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. October 10.

Holiday shopping kicks into high gear at the **Holiday Craft Show** to be held November 21-22 at Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run. Hundreds of crafters will join food vendors — and even Santa himself — to line the halls of Fairfax High School.

The year's events will wrap up in with the annual **Festival of Lights and Carols** December 5 in Old Town Fairfax, which includes lunch with Santa, music, treats and the lighting of the Christmas tree.



Find out first! Find out fast!
Enroll in Fairfax City Alert for important information, including emergency notices, updates on road construction, city government closures and more!

Information:

www.fairfaxva.gov/fairfaxcityalert

City Upholds Noise Laws

In any neighborhood, residents can expect a certain amount of ambient noise. However, there are some noise situations from which citizens may seek relief.

City Code Section 38-11 states that radios, televisions, sound amplifiers and other devices must be kept at a lower volume between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. every day. However, depending on the source of the noise, a violation may occur any time there is continued, loud, unnecessary or unusual disturbing noise that can be plainly heard on the public streets, heard outside the facility or 50 feet or more from the source.

Anyone who suspects a noise that indicates domestic violence or animal abuse should call the police immediately.

When using generators, keep them outside the buildings for safety purposes. Before installing a generator, obtain the proper city permits and make sure the generator is of the

proper size for its intended use. Be mindful of neighbors and the noise created by generators, especially at night. Loud generators are not exempt from city noise laws.

Construction may take place only from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and from

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and holidays. Work that generates noise is prohibited at all other times unless related to a legitimate emergency or unless a permit is issued to allow for night work. Interior construction that does not create noise audible at the property line is permitted at any time.

Citizens may call the city police department at 703-385-7924 to report noise violations. Neighbors who can safely settle noise problems among themselves are encouraged to do so. Please give the police department as much information as possible, including the location and type of noise. Complaints can be kept confidential.

Cityscreen



SCHEDULE

Programming subject to change.
See Cityscreen-12 to confirm the programming schedule. 703-385-7803.

The Fairfax Scene

Through August 14, explore Old Town Square with highlights of the ribbon-cutting ceremony and Derby-Q. Beginning August 15, author Hampton Newsome gives a lecture on his book, *The Richmond-Petersburg Campaign, October 1864*.

The Fairfax Scene plays at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. daily.

The Fairfax Scene is archived online under "special programming" and available on the city's YouTube channel.

Encore!

Enjoy an encore musical performance at 4 p.m. daily.

Road to Recovery

This series produced by the Department of Health and Human Services deals with many topics related to addiction, treatment and recovery. Different episodes of the *Road to Recovery* are shown at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekdays.

2015 Independence Day Parade and Evening Show

Don't miss the 2015 parade! The program is archived on the city website under "special programming" and is available on the city's YouTube channel.

Meetings, Programs Available for Loan and Purchase

Cityscreen-12 programs are available for loan on Blu-ray and DVD from the City Manager's Office **Information:** 703-385-7855; WeCare@fairfaxva.gov.

Copies of some programs are available for purchase on DVD for \$15 and on Blu-ray for \$20.



Summary of City Council meeting actions. For a complete copy, or for the minutes of meetings, call 703-385-7935.

City Council Reporter

June 9, 2015

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a basic ordering agreement with Richter & Associates for FY16 On-Call Dry Utility Consulting Services; Consideration of an award of contract with Environmental Quality Resources, L.L.C. in an estimated amount of \$562,251.17 for the Daniels Run stream restoration project; Introduction of an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$96,335 for FY 2014-2015 federal and state grant expenditures; Introduction of an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$1,106,900 for FY 2015 nondiscretionary expenditures. *(Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)*

Public hearings

- Approved, 5-1, appropriation resolutions for the General, Capital, Wastewater, Transit, Stormwater, Cable, Old Town, and Transportation Tax Funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015. *(In favor: Councilmembers Greenfield, Meyer, Miller, and Schmidt; opposed: Councilmember Loftus.) (Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)*

Actions out of closed meeting/appointments to boards and commissions

- The City Council concurred with the city manager's selection of Catherine Salgado as director of the city's Parks and Recreation Department. *(Councilmember DeMarco was absent.)*

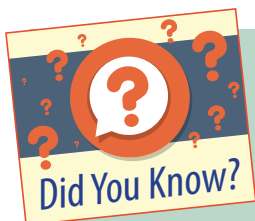
June 23, 2015

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, text amendments to City Code Chapter 110, Article XI, Section 110-701, Section 110-704, Section 110-705, Section 110-706, and deletion of City Code Chapter 110, Article XI, Section 110-711 as provided in the attached ordinance dated June 8, 2015. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to defer the public hearing and Council action on the request for a General Development Plan Amendment with proffers at 9431 to 9495 Silver King Court, to September 8, 2015. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to direct staff to consider changes to the proposed project consistent with the comments received from the City Council and the public, finalize the plans and proceed to right of way acquisition and construction for approximately 150 linear feet of sidewalk on the west side of University Drive between Armstrong Street and South Street. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to consider changes to the proposed project consistent with the comments received

from the City Council and the public, finalize the plans and proceed to right of way acquisition and construction of approximately 1,100 linear feet of sidewalk, curb and gutter on the west side of Burke Station Road between Main Street and Stoughton Road. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*

- Approved, unanimously, to direct staff to consider changes to the proposed project consistent with the comments received from the City Council and the public, finalize the plans and proceed to right of way acquisition and construction on a proposed traffic signal upgrade on Fairfax Boulevard at Draper Drive. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to approve an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$96,335 for FY 2014-2015 federal and state grant expenditures. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to approve an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$1,106,900 for FY 2015 nondiscretionary expenditures. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*



Public Encouraged to Attend City Council Meetings, Work Sessions; Agenda, Video Available

The public is encouraged to attend City Council meetings and work sessions.

Work sessions typically are scheduled at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month in the City Hall Annex, Room 100.

City Council meetings usually are scheduled at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in the City Hall Annex, Room 111. Additional work sessions and meetings are scheduled as needed.

In August, City Council is on hiatus. The next scheduled work session is September 1, and the next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for September 8.

Meeting agendas are available before the meeting on the city's website, from the City Clerk's Office and at the meeting.

The public may address the Mayor and City Council at regular meetings. Call 703-385-7935 to sign up to speak at a meeting, or to confirm meeting information.

Televised meetings and work sessions

are available on Cityscreen-12, the city's television station, online and on cable television. Televised work sessions and meetings may be viewed (with agendas) or downloaded as MP3 (audio) and MP4 (video) files from the city's website.

They also may be borrowed or purchased. To purchase a DVD or Blu-ray copy, call 703-385-7803. To borrow a DVD or Blu-ray copy, call 703-385-7850 or e-mail WeCare@fairfaxva.gov; reservations are recommended.

Community Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

City Government Information 703-385-7855
 City News and Events 703-273-1776
 Arts and Cultural Events 703-352-ARTS
 City of Fairfax Regional Library 703-293-6227
 Civil War Interpretive Center 703-591-0560
 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703-385-8414
 George Mason University Events 703-993-1000
 Calendar information is subject to last-minute change.

Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. Information: today.gmu.edu, 703-993-1056



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Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am to 2 pm, 10386 Main Street

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Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue

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National Night Out



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Virginia Sales Tax Holiday: School Supplies, Clothing; Energy Star, WaterSense Qualified Products; Hurricane, Emergency Preparedness Equipment
 Summer Nights in the City concert, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza
 Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3

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Virginia Sales Tax Holiday
 Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm
 Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am
 Guided Walking Tour, 11 am, Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road

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Virginia Sales Tax Holiday: School Supplies, Clothing; Energy Star, WaterSense Qualified Products; Hurricane, Emergency Preparedness Equipment
 Farmers' Market
 Second Sunday: World War II Veterans Tribute, 2 pm, Historic Blenheim

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Cops and Kids Day, 8 am to noon, Sherwood Community Center

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Summer Nights in the City concert, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza
 Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)

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Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Shredding event, 8 am to noon, Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Mount Vernon Road
 Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am to 2 pm, 10386 Main Street

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Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue

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Sherwood Cinema Series: Annie, 7 pm, Sherwood Center (donations accepted by Our Daily Bread)
 Summer Nights in the City concert, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza
 Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)

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Farmers' Market
 Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours
 Back to School Praise in the Park, noon to 6 pm, Providence Park
 Escaping Detection: Women in the Civil War, 2 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim

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Farmers' Market
 George Mason University early arrival move-in begins

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Fall semester begins at Northern Virginia Community College

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George Mason University freshman move-in

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Rock the Block! with The Hackens Boys, 6-9 pm, Old Town Square
 Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)

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Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue
 Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am to 2 pm, 10386 Main Street
 George Mason University upper-class move-in

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Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue

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Fall semester begins at George Mason University; Welcome Week begins

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City Happenings

Take a Guided Walking Tour of Old Town Fairfax

Discover Fairfax history on foot with a guided tour of Old Town Fairfax.

Tours step off at 11 a.m. from Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road, on August 8 and September 12. Cost is \$10 per person age 12 and older, \$5 for youth age 6-12 or \$25 per family. Reservations are recommended; call 703-385-8414.

History Events Explore Women in Civil War, WWII Veterans on August 9, 22

Hear the stories of Fairfax's World War II veterans profiled in the Fairfax United Methodist Church's tribute book and enjoy 1940s musical favorites for Second Sunday in *World War II Tribute* at 2 p.m. August 9 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. Information: 703-385-8414.

Learn about *Escaping Detection: Women in the Civil War* at 2 p.m. August 22 at the

Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim. Information: 703-591-0560.

Sherwood Cinema Series Continues August 21; Food Donations Accepted

Watch *Annie* for free August 21 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Lights go down at 7 p.m., and participants may bring their own snacks. Our Daily Bread is accepting non-perishable food donations from 7-9 p.m. (call 703-385-7858 for guidelines).

Exhibition 'To Be Sold' Continues at Blenheim through September 5

Explore the slave trade in Virginia through a traveling exhibition from the Library of Virginia. "To Be Sold" will be in Fairfax through September 5 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim. Hours for the free exhibit are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Information: 703-591-0560.

Ratcliffe-Allison House Tours Offered on Saturdays

Take a free tour of one of the city's oldest residences: the Ratcliffe-Allison House, 10386 Main Street.

Tours are offered from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays through October. Tours also may be scheduled in advance on other days.

Information: 703-385-8414.

Fairfax Memorabilia Abounds at Gift Shops in Museum, Blenheim

Visitors to the city's historic sites can learn about Fairfax history and the region's role in the American Civil War—and they can take that knowledge home with gift items for sale at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center and the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim during their operating hours.

Items for sale include games and toys for children, replica items and souvenirs. Of special interest: a tote bag featuring some of Fairfax's most picturesque historic buildings. New in gift shops is a puzzle featuring the rich history and architecture of Fairfax.